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FOR MOOSE

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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: SUMMARY OF ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS
FOR MOOSE

1. THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS FOR RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT, WHICH WERE PUBLISHED ON SEPTEMBER 1, 1977, AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF INTENSE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE RELEVANT PARTIES, ARE COMPOSED OF THREE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS:

I. SUGGESTIONS FOR AN INDEPENDENCE CONSTITUTION WHICH PROVIDE FOR A DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED GOVERNMENT, THE PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS, INCLUDING FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, AND THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE JUDICIARY. THE INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT WOULD BE ELECTED IN FREE AND IMPARTIAL ELECTIONS ON THE BASIS OF UNIVERSAL ADULT SUFFRAGE. THE WHITE COMMUNITY WOULD BE GUARANTEED A CONTINUING PRESENCE
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IN PARLIAMENT, BUT THE NUMBERS OF RESERVED WHITE SEATS WOULD BE SMALL, THE OCCUPANTS ELECTED BY THE OTHER MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, AND WITHOUT POWER TO BLOCK LEGISLATION.

II. THE ESTABLISHMENT BY THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT OF A TRANSITIONAL ADMINISTRATION UNDER A RESIDENT COMMISSIONER

WITH THE TASK OF CONDUCTING ELECTIONS FOR AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT NOT LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE TRANSFER OF POWER. A UNITED NATIONS PRESENCE INCLUDING A UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING FORCE WOULD BE PRESENT DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD TO ASSIST IN MAINTAINING LAW AND ORDER AND IN OBSERVING THE IMPARTIAL CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS.

(THE INITIAL ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS GAVE TO THE BRITISH RESIDENT COMMISSIONER TOTAL EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE POWER. IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PARTIES FOLLOWING THE PUBLICATION OF THE PROPOSALS, IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THERE WAS SIGNIFICANT OBJECTION TO THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER'S SO-CALLED DICTATORIAL AUTHORITY. CONSEQUENTLY, THE BRITISH PROPOSED IN TALKS WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT THAT A GOVERNING COUNCIL BE FORMED BY THE RELEVANT PARTIES WHICH WOULD HAVE LIMITED LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY AND WHICH WOULD ADVISE THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD. IN ADDITION, THE BRITISH PROPOSED THE CREATION OF TWO MILITARY COMMITTEES TO OPERATE DURING THE INTERIM PERIOD. THE CEASE-FIRE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE WOULD CONSIST OF THE COMMANDERS OF THE MILITARY FORCES AND THE UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING FORCE. THE TRANSITIONAL MILITARY COMMITTEE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE EXISTING OPPOSING ARMES AND THE CREATION OF A ZIMBABWE NATION-CONFIDENTIAL

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AL ARMY, LOYAL TO THE ELECTED GOVERNMENT. THE BRITISH HAVE MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE NEW ARMY WILL BE BASED UPON THE CURRENT LIBERATION FORCES AND WILL INCLUDE ACCEPTABLE ELEMENTS OF THE RHODESIAN DEFENSE FORCES. DURING THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD, THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER WOULD RELY PRINCIPALLY UPON THE RHODESIAN POLICE FORCE, UNDER A NEW COMMISSIONER TO BE APPOINTED BY HIM, FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF LAW AND ORDER.

THE COMPOSITION AND POWERS OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, THE AUTHORITY OF THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER AND THE ROLE OF THE POLICE WERE TOPICS OF SERIOUS DEBATE AT THE MALTA CONFERENCE WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT. NO RESOLUTION OF THESE ISSUES WAS REACHED THERE. SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION ON THESE POINTS WITH THE OTHER RELEVANT PARTIES HAS NOT OCCURRED.)

III. ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND, PREDICATED UPON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SETTLEMENT OF A WHOLE, TO REVIVE THE ECONOMY OF THE COUNTRY AND TO PROVIDE NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE AFRICAN MAJORITY, IS THE THIRD PRINCIPAL COMPONENT OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS. AS ACTIVA-

TION OF THIS FUND WOULD OCCUR ONLY UPON THE IMPLEMENTA-

TION OF THE OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE PROPOSALS,
DISCUSSION OF THE ZDF SINCE SEPTEMBER 1977 HAS BEEN
LIMITED.

2. NOTE TO MOOSE: BASIC ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS AND
MALTA DOCUMENTS AS WELL AS COMPARISON OF AAP PROPOSALS
WITH THE SALISBURY ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN YOUR BRIEFING
BOOK AND MAY PROVIDE FURTHER REQUIRED DETAILS. COOPER

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